and content of the proposed "Cultural Primer" will be worked out by experts.

Multi-Drug therapy for Leprosy

186. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of districts in each State where the multi-drug therapy (MDT) for leprosy is being used at present; and

(b) the names of the districts in each State where Government propose to extend this facility during the current Five Year Plan period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) and (b) The requisite information is given in the enclosed Statements I and II which are laid on the Table of the House.

Statement-I

Names of 15 high endemic districts in States functioning under Multi-Drug Treatment activities

States	Names of districts under MDT activities.
1 Andhra Pradesh	1 Srikakulam
	2 Visakhapatnam
	3 Vizianagaram
2 Bihar	1 Deoghar
3 Gujarat	1 Vadodara
4 Karnataka	1 Dharwad
	2 Belgaum
5 Maharashtra	1 Amravati
	2 Wardha
6 Orissa	1 Ganjam
	2 Puri
7 Tamil Nadu	1 Chingleput
	2 North Arcot
8 Uttar Pradesh	1 Varanasi.
9 West Bengal	1 Purulia
TOTAL : 9 STATES	15 DISTRICTS

Statement-II

Names of districts proposed to be taken up for MDT activities during the 7th Five-Year Plan (1985-90)

States	Names of districts to be covered under MDT
1	2
1 Andhra Pradesh	1 East Godavari
	2 West Godavari
	3 Nellore
	4 Chittoor
	5 Karimnagar
	6 Warangal
	7 Nalgonda
	8 Medak
	9 Kurnool
	10 Anantapur
	11 Guntur
	12 Cuddapah
	13 Krishna
2 Bihar	1 Patua
	2 Nawadah
	3 Purnea
	4 Siwan
	5 Sita-marhi
	6 Darbhanga
	7 Madhubani
	8 Katihar
	9 Muzaffarpur
	10 Rohtas
	11 Singhbhum
3 Karnataka	1 Raichur
	2 Bidar
4 Kerala	1 Kasargode
	2 Palghat
	3 Alleppey

1		2	
5	Madhya Pradesh	1	Raigarh
		2	Durg
		3	Rajnandagaon
6	Maharashtra	1	Greater Bombay
		2	Latur
		3	Gadchiroli
		4	Nanded
		5	Osmanabad
		6	Chandrapur
7	Nagaland	1	Mon
8	Orissa	1	Balasore
		2	Dhenkanal
		3	Cuttack
		4	Mayurbhanj
		5	Sambalpur
		6	Balangir
9	Tamil Nadu	1	South Arcot
		2	Salem
		3	Dharamapuri
		4	Madurai
		5	Thanjavur
		6	Tiruchirapalli
		7	Ramanathapuram
		8	Puddukotai
		9	Periyar
		10	Madras
10	Uttar Pradesh	1	Hardoi
		2	Pilibhit
		3	Sitapur
		4	Tehri
		5	Faizabad
		6	Kanpur

1		2	
11	West Bengal	1	Bankura
		2	Midnapur
		3	Birbhum
		4	Burdwan
		5	Jalpaiguri
		6	West Dinajpur
12	Lakshadweep	1	Lakshadweep
13	Pondicherry	1	Yanam
		2	Karikal
		3	Pondicherry
	TOTAL DISTRICTS :	71	

Air-India flights to Mexico

187. SHRI R. SAMBASIVA RAO: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Air India proposes to operate its flights to Mexico;

(b) whether any delegation has recently visited Mexico in this connection; and

(c) if so, what is the outcome of the talks held with the Mexican Officials in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) There is no such proposal for the present.

(b) No Civil Aviation delegation recently visited Mexico in connection with Air India flights.

(c) Question does not arise.

Development of Visakhapatnam Port

188. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Will the Minister for SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to develop the Visakhapatnam Port for the purpose of export of iron ore;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what expenditure is likely to be incurred in the expansion of the port?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (c) Facilities for the export of iron ore from Visakhapatnam Port are already in existence. A provision of Rs. 9.59 crores for modernisation of iron ore loading facilities and provision of Rs. 8 crores for deepening of the iron ore berth in order to receive iron ore carriers of upto 1.70 lakhs DWT have been included in the VIIth Plan.

Kakinada Port

189. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to upgrade Kakinada port as a major port